

American Embassy, Amman

Vacancy Announcement

ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: 15-125

OPEN TO: All Interested Candidates

POSITION: Security Investigator, FSN-09*; FP-5*

OPENING DATE: December 30, 2015

CLOSING DATE: January 13, 2016

WORK HOURS: Full-time; 40 hours/week

SALARY: – Ordinarily Resident (OR*) in Jordan: JD 13874, per year, excluding allowances (position grade FSN-09)

– For EFMs* and Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR*) in Jordan: Position grade FP-5; salary is in US Dollars based on the US pay plan. *All FP position grades are determined by HR in Washington DC.*

BENEFITS (OR*): Excellent working conditions; 5-day workweek; annual pay for performance increase; premier medical insurance coverage for employee and family; 20 holidays per year (American and Jordanian); provident fund retirement plan; ample opportunity for on-line/ classroom training and personal development

ORDINARY RESIDENTS (OR*) MUST HAVE JORDANIAN WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION, SUBJECT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL LABOR LAWS.

The U.S. Embassy Amman is seeking an individual for the position of Security Investigator in the Force Protection Detachment.

BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION:

Carries out liaison functions with Government of Jordan (GOJ) officials on Force Protection Detachment (FPD) related issues including all law enforcement and legal matters. When appropriate, supports the Regional Security Office (RSO) FSNI staff in matters of criminal or terrorist threats, investigations, and security operation issues under the general guidance of the FPD and RSO. Continuously considers all available information in order to provide security advice to FPD and RSO based on all facts available, ensuring adequate protection is provided to the mission community and unofficial Americans in Jordan. Conducts background investigations with support of GOJ. Coordinates VIP protection operations for assigned visits, and assists FPD with liaison activities with all GOJ security elements. Incumbent must maintain readiness to physically respond on an “on-call” basis.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:

*Note: **Items 1-5 are ALL REQUIRED.** All applicants must address each selection criterion detailed with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item.*

1. **Education:** Bachelor's degree granted by an accredited university in police science, law enforcement, or police and military science is required. **Supporting documents (Tawjihi certificate) must be included in the application for eligibility purposes.**
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2. **Experience:** At least five years of service within one of Jordan's security services, police or military, having attained the rank of at least Major or higher is required. Broad expertise in criminal/security/administrative investigations and security operations is required. Continuous follow-on security and/or law enforcement training at an established GOJ training institution (i.e. Royal Police Academy) to include training in criminal/security investigation is required.
3. **Language:** Level 3 in English (Good working knowledge) and Level 4 in Arabic (native) is required. English proficiency will be tested.
4. **Knowledge:** Very good knowledge of USG policies and goals in the region, including security goals and political activities is required. Intimate familiarity with and expert knowledge of the inner workings of the GOJ, its directorates, the departments therein, its leaders, and how their infrastructure exists and continues to evolve across the entire country is required. Ability to develop and maintain close relationships with working-level officers from within the GOJ security services is required. Knowledge of military and other security services such as the General Intelligence Directorate (GID) is required. Understanding of language, cultures, and geography of the entire country is required. Familiarity with local laws and policies and how they may affect investigations and security operations is required. Broad expertise in investigative procedures/concepts/applications is required.
5. **Abilities & Skills:** Excellent judgment, decisiveness, honesty, trustworthiness, flexibility, and persistence is required. Strong interpersonal and communications skills, and ability to work long hours under high-stress conditions is required. Resourcefulness, initiative, and know how to solve many complex problems involving several different entities simultaneously is required. Familiarity with or capacity to learn investigative procedures, concepts, and applications is required. Ability to stay abreast of current events, particularly anti-western developments across the country, and how these issues affect the mission, and where to go to get specific information is required. Valid Jordanian driving license required.
A copy of the driving license must be included with the application for eligibility purposes.

SELECTION PROCESS:

When equally qualified, U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (AEFMs) and U.S. Veterans will be given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate address the required qualifications above in the application.

ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA:

1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
2. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply.
3. Current OR* employees with an Overall Summary Rating of “needs improvement” or “unsatisfactory” on their most recent Employee Performance Report are not eligible to apply.
4. Currently employed U.S. Citizen EFM* who hold an FMA appointment are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.
5. Currently employed NORs* hired under a Personal Services Agreement are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment, unless currently hired into a position with a When Actually Employed (WAE) work schedule.
6. EFM* candidates must have at least nine months remaining at post from the closing date or they will not be considered.
7. EFM* not yet at post must be within 90 days of their arrival in order to be considered.

TO APPLY:

Interested applicants must submit their application and all supporting materials to AmmanEmployment@State.gov or it will not be considered. Please note “**VA 15-125, Security Investigator**” in the subject line of the e-mail.

All application packages must include:

1. Application for U.S. Federal Employment [DS-174](#) or a current resume or curriculum vitae that provides the same information as the DS-174.
2. Any other documentation (e.g. certificates, awards, copies of degrees earned) that addresses the required qualifications for this position. (**Education certificates must be included or the application will not be considered**).
3. Driver’s license copy if applying for a position that requires driving a vehicle.
4. EFM*, USEFM*, and AEFM* applicants must clearly indicate their status in the text or subject line of their application.
5. Candidates who claim U.S. Veterans preference must provide a copy of their Form DD-214 with their application. For more information on Veteran’s Preference go to <http://www.opm.gov/veterans/>.
6. List any relatives or members of your household that work for the U.S. Government (include their name, relationship, agency, position and location). Any omission in this area, either intentional or unintentional, is cause for dismissal.

***DEFINITIONS:**

1. **Eligible Family Member (EFM):** For employment purposes, an EFM is a spouse, domestic partner (DP- as defined in 3 FAM 1610), or unmarried child at least 18 years of age of a US direct-hire FS, CS, or uniformed service member who is:
 - Listed on the travel orders or approved OF-126 of a direct-hire FS, CS, or uniformed service member assigned to the Mission under COM authority; and,
 - Residing at the sponsoring employee’s post of assignment abroad.
2. **U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM):** For purposes of receiving a preference in hiring for a qualified position, a USEFM is an individual who meets the following criteria:
 - US citizen; and

- The spouse or domestic partner (as defined in 3 FAM 1610) of the sponsoring employee, or a child of the sponsoring employee, who is an unmarried child 18 to 20 years old; and
- Listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126 of the sponsoring employee, (i.e., a direct-hire FS, CS, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad at a US mission, and is under COM authority) and either:
 - a) Resides at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad; or
 - b) Resides at an involuntary separate maintenance allowance (ISMA) location (the individual will not be listed on the sponsoring officer's travel orders, but will have a processed Form SF-1190 authorizing ISMA).

Other family members or dependents on direct-hire FS, CS, or uniformed service member's travel orders who do not meet all of these criteria are not USEFMs or AEFMs for employment purposes.

3. **Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM):** To be eligible for a Family Member Appointment or a TEMP appointment, an AEFM is:

- US citizen; and
- The spouse or a domestic partner (as defined 3 FAM 1610) of the sponsoring employee, or a child of the sponsoring employee who is an unmarried child 18-20 years old; and
- Listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126 of the sponsoring employee, (i.e., a direct-hire FS, CS, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad at a US Mission who is under COM authority); and
- Residing at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad; and
- Does not receive a USG retirement annuity or pension from a career in the Foreign Service or Civil Service. US citizen military annuitant EFM's are FMA eligible.

Other family members or dependents on direct-hire FS, CS, or uniformed service member's travel orders or approved Form OF-126 who do not meet all of the criteria are not AEFMs or US citizen EFM's for employment purposes.

4. **Member of Household (MOH):** An individual who accompanies a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member permanently assigned or stationed at a U.S. Foreign Service post or establishment abroad. An MOH is:

- Not an EFM; and,
- Not on the travel orders of the sponsoring employee; and,
- Has been officially declared by the sponsoring USG employee to the COM as part of his/her household.

A MOH is under COM authority and may include a parent, unmarried partner, other relative or adult child who falls outside the Department's current legal and statutory definition of family member. A MOH does not have to be a U.S. Citizen.

5. **Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR)** – An individual who:

- Is not a citizen of the host country; and,
- Does not ordinarily reside (*OR*, see below) in the host country; and,
- Is not subject to host country employment and tax laws; and,
- Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN).

NOR employees are compensated under a GS or FS salary schedule, not under the LCP.

6. **Ordinarily Resident (OR)** – A Foreign National or U.S. citizen who:

- Is locally resident; and,
- Has legal, permanent resident status within the host country; and,
- Is subject to host country employment and tax laws.

EFMs without U.S. Social Security Numbers are also OR. All OR employees, including U.S. citizens, are compensated in accordance with the Local Compensation Plan (LCP).

CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: January 13, 2016

An Equal Opportunity Employer

The U.S. Mission in Jordan provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.